Federal agencies and/or their program participants may not make determinations of non-availability without the Maritime Administration's concurrence of the criteria utilized.

We suggest that you also service Comptroller General Opinions of B-145455 dated June 12, 1968, B-140872 dated May 10, 1960, B-165421, December 23, 1968, and B-155185 dated November 17, 1969, as they relate specific cargo preference concepts relative to U.S.-flag vessel services.

Sincerely,

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